

Principles of Programming Languages, 2019.09.03

Important notes

- Total available time: 2h.
- You may use any written material you need, and write in Italian, if you prefer.
- You cannot use electronic devices during the exam.
- You cannot use library functions not covered in class in your code.

Exercise 1, Scheme (9 pts)

Consider the following code:

```
(define (a-function lst sep)
  (foldl (lambda (el next)
          (if (eq? el sep)
              (cons '() next)
              (cons (cons el (car next))
                    (cdr next))))
        (list '()) lst))
```

1) Describe what this function does; what is the result of the following call?

(a-function '(1 2 nop 3 4 nop 5 6 7 nop nop 9 9 9) 'nop)

2) Modify *a-function* so that in the example call the symbols *nop* are not discarded from the resulting list, which must also be reversed (of course, without using *reverse*).

Exercise 2, Haskell (14 pts)

Consider the data structure *Tril*, which is a generic container consisting of three lists.

1) Give a data definition for *Tril*.

2) Define *list2tril*, a function which takes a list and 2 values x and y , say $x < y$, and builds a *Tril*, where the last component is the ending sublist of length x , and the middle component is the middle sublist of length $y-x$. Also, *list2tril L x y = list2tril L y x*.

E.g. *list2tril [1,2,3,4,5,6] 1 3* should be a *Tril* with first component $[1,2,3]$, second component $[4,5]$, and third component $[6]$.

3) Make *Tril* an instance of *Functor* and *Foldable*.

4) Make *Tril* an instance of *Applicative*, knowing that the concatenation of 2 *Trils* has first component which is the concatenation of the first two components of the first *Tril*, while the second component is the concatenation of the ending component of the first *Tril* and the beginning one of the second *Tril* (the third component should be clear at this point).

Exercise 3, Erlang (9 pts)

1) Define a *split* function, which takes a list and a number n and returns a pair of lists, where the first one is the prefix of the given list, and the second one is the suffix of the list of length n .

E.g. *split([1,2,3,4,5], 2)* is $\{[1,2,3],[4,5]\}$.

2) Using *split* of 1), define a *splitmap* function which takes a function f , a list L , and a value n , and splits L with parameter n , then launches two process to map f on each one of the two lists resulting from the split. The function *splitmap* must return a pair with the two mapped lists.

Solutions

Es 1

a-function returns a list of lists, where each list is taken backwards, and sep is used for a separator. The resulting list is: ((9 9 9) () (7 6 5) (4 3) (2 1))

The modified function is:

```
(define (another-function lst sep)
  (foldr (lambda (el next)
          (if (eq? el sep)
              (cons (list el) next)
              (cons (cons el (car next))
                    (cdr next))))
        (list '()) lst))
```

Es 2

```
data Tril a = Tril [a] [a] [a] deriving (Show, Eq)
```

```
instance Functor Tril where
  fmap f (Tril x y z) = Tril (fmap f x)(fmap f y)(fmap f z)
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instance Foldable Tril where
  foldr f i (Tril x y z) = foldr f (foldr f (foldr f i z) y) x
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(Tril x y z) +++ (Tril a b c) = Tril (x ++ y) (z ++ a) (b ++ c)
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trilconcat t = foldr (+++) (Tril [] [] []) t
trilcmap f t = trilconcat $ fmap f t
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instance Applicative Tril where
  pure x = Tril [x] [] []
  x <*> y = trilcmap (\f -> fmap f y) x
```

```
list2tril lst n1 n2 = let (_,_,[x,y,z]) = foldr helper (n1, n2, [[]]) lst
                      in Tril x y z
```

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where
  helper el (0, m, next) = (-1, m-1, [el]:next)
  helper el (n, 0, next) = (n-1, -1, [el]:next)
  helper el (n, m, (x:xs)) = (n-1, m-1, (el:x):xs)
```

Es 3

```
helper(E, {0, L}) ->
  {-1, [[E]|L]};
helper(E, {V, [X|Xs]}) ->
  {V-1, [[E|X]|Xs]}.
```

```
split(L, N) ->
  {_, R} = lists:foldr(fun helper/2, {N, [[]]}, L),
  R.
```

```
mapper(F, List, Who) ->
  Who ! {self(), lists:map(F, List)}.
```

```
splitmap(F, L, N) ->
  [L1, L2] = split(L, N),
  P1 = spawn(?MODULE, mapper, [F, L1, self()]),
  P2 = spawn(?MODULE, mapper, [F, L2, self()]),
  receive
    {P1, V1} ->
      receive {P2, V2} ->
        {V1, V2}
  end
end.
```